GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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New Textile Policy
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the present contribution of textile sector to GDP, employment and export of the country;

(b) whether the present Textile Policy needs major restructuring and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any new textile policy and if so, the details and salient features thereof;

(d) the measures taken to consolidate this sector during the last three years and the current year and the financial assistance provided under various schemes to this sector along with the steps being taken to promote export of textiles, State-wise and UT-wise; and

(e) whether the Government has urged all the States to provide land for the Integrated Textile Parks and if so, the names of the States which have shown interest in the said Scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARAS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. *172 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 28.07.2016 .

(a): The Textile & Apparel sector's share of GDP is 2% and 13% of exports in 2013-14. The sector is amongst the largest provider of employment.

(b)The existing policy was announced in the year 2000 when the Multi Fibre Agreement imposing quantitative restrictions on exports (quota regime) was in existence. The quota regime was dismantled in 2004 after which new opportunities and challenges emerged at the international and national level for the sector. Keeping in view the enormous employment and export potential of the sector a conducive policy framework is necessitated to harness the potential of the sector to the fullest extent.

(c) The new Textile Policy is under formulation to provide an enabling environment for the textile sector to grow.

(d) The Government has announced several new schemes to consolidate the sector in the last three years including
I. Ammended TUFS scheme and insitu upgradation of Powerlooms (for technology development)
II. Scheme for promoting Agrotech and Geotech in the North East and the North East Region Textile Promotion Scheme(NERTPS)
III. Integrated processing development Scheme(IPDS), Scheme for incubation in Apparel manufacturing(SIAM), Scheme for Textile Workers Accomodation (for infrastructure development)
IV. A special package of reforms for the garmenting sector.
V. The scheme-wise release of funds for the development of textiles in the last three years is given at Annexure-1. As the Textile sector schemes are demand driven no allocations are made State/UT wise.
VI. The steps taken to promote exports of textiles is at Annexure II
(e) The Government has requested all State Governments to give due publicity to the Scheme for Integrated Textile parks in their States and mobilize entrepreneurs to participate in the scheme. The Statewise list of Parks sanctioned is enclosed at Annexure III